

own. A business partner sees for himself an opening for mere successful operations; a dissolution is no disadvantage to those with whom he is now associated. He goes and mutual friendship continues. Recently this view seems to be taking shape in the minds of some of our public men. Sir Richard Cartwright is reported as favoring a federation of the Anglo-Saxon people; Mr. Laurier wants Independence; Sir John A. McDonald advocates Imperial federation, on the principal of having Great Britain the centre, and auxiliary kingdoms grouped around her; and there are some who think they see greater promise to commercial interests in a closer union with our Anglo-Saxon neighbor on the west of us. Here is variety which shows at least some feeling that a change would be for our good. We are not going to venture so far into the realm of politics as to pronounce an opinion here. We desire only to suggest that any change should be the result of careful consideration of our economic and commercial interests, and should not be retarded or influenced by mere sentiment.

PERSONAL.

Professor Wortman preached last Sunday for the Carleton Presbyterian Church. Rev. Dr. Day preached for the Leinster Street Church. Rev. Mr. Brown, of Connecticut, who has been at the "Holiness Meetings," called on us last week. He seems to be an earnest man, but we learn that he was compelled to leave his last church in a divided state, and are sorry that he and others who become enamored of Perfection doctrines, allow themselves to be used in the line of destruction rather than construction.

For the Visitor. Western Correspondence. BY "ABOQUEET"

NORTHWARD HO!

Your quondam correspondent, who now scarcely deserves the name, has become quite a travelled individual. This is by force of circumstances and not by choice. He lives in the most delightful part of this America of ours, and yet, as it is the most unhealthy part, he finds it necessary to take an occasional tour into regions where the air is fresher and more bracing. Such was the air which he found in a latitude which corresponds to yours last week.

The conveniences for the accommodation of travellers are something wonderful to-day. It is now some time since, thanks to Mr. Pullman, it ceased to be necessary to travel only in the day time, stopping off to rest at night. A more recent, but no less comfortable invention is the Palace Dining Cars which do away with hasty meals in dirty station houses, and give one an opportunity to eat a good meal at his leisure, as he passes along his journey without interruption. With these things in view the writer decided to reverse the old order of things, travelling by night, and stopping a while by day at the chief points on the way to greet old friends and have the current gossip.

A pause of part of a day in Chicago, revealed some of the most absorbing topics of conversation there. Of course a main topic of discussion is the recent election. The Examiner has in characteristic, yet quite appropriate language called our recent contest "the nastiest Presidential campaign which the American people have witnessed." If the whole truth must be told we are all a little ashamed of the whole thing. But it is not all disgrace either. The contest was very close, and yet the result has been very quietly accepted. We do know of some other places where so close a contest would have been almost sure to end in contested election returns, with abundance of strife and dispute. It is an honor to our people that they so quietly accept so great a change, the overthrow of one of the grandest political parties known to history, and that they show a determination to give their support and their prayers to their new President with the

hope of making his administration a success. It is true there are some old time republicans,—some of the *ancie velum* abolitionist stamp who are apprehensive of danger. They are not yet reconciled to the "solid South." The very fact that the South remains "solid"—is to them a cause of alarm. Already they seem to see the "Abomination of Desolation standing where it ought not." A good many of the more ignorant freedmen, misled doubtless by designing politicians, expect that an attempt will be made to subject them to their former servitude. But our government is not in such a precarious condition that the mere turning of a political campaign in a wrong direction will ruin us. And perhaps we have been too unwilling to believe in the possibility of reform, even in the South. But the men who are in the greatest trouble are the republican office holders. How many of them will have to step down and out! It is generally understood that men who work on salaries lay up nothing for the future. It is particularly understood that a salaried officer living at Washington can not do so. These people, many of them have been so long doing this routine official work that they are unfit for any other kind of employment. "They cannot dig, they are ashamed to beg." What shall they do?

Baptist affairs in Chicago were said to be flourishing. The Seminary in the absence of its president, who is now on his way to Europe, is ably presided over by Dr. E. B. Hulbert, and is in every way prosperous. A brief call on the Editor of the Standard, the Nestor among Baptist Editors, was enjoyable as it always is. The churches are all in excellent condition, and are planning for greater things in the future. On the dark side we have once more a scandal, and a scandal of the old type to mourn over in the Baptist ranks. We all admired Dr. Moss of the Indiana University. He came up from a poor boy, once I believe a driver of mules on a tow-path, to the highest position of honor among his brethren. Would it not be a relief to hear that some eminent divine had hung himself, or broken into a bank, or shot somebody, or anything for a change from the usual scandal. How much of the charge presented against Dr. M. may be true, we cannot say; but as things are the case looks suspicious.

After another good night's sleep the writer found himself for the first time in that youthful and beautiful city of the Northwest known as St. Paul. One can not help wondering at the marvellous growth of this city, and its twin sister by its side. The younger city has had the more rapid growth. From about ten thousand inhabitants in 1870, it has grown to one hundred and thirty thousand or upwards at the present time. And still the people come, and the business develops, and there seems to be no limit to the possibilities of growth. But "Northward" is still the motto, and after another night of quiet, we awoke on the banks of the great Superior, and in the rising city of Duluth. Who has not heard of Duluth? Who does not know that it was already a great city in the imagination of Jay Cooke, and some other speculators many years ago? Who does not also know that with the bursting of that Northern Pacific bubble, when it got too large, and got too much "water" in it Duluth disappeared, and was for some years forgotten? But the boom is over now, and the natural growth of trade is building up a city here, which has a great future before it. Already it ranks third among our cities as a wheat market. This year the receipts will amount to twelve million bushels. As a meat and lumber market, and also as a point for the importation of merchandize Duluth is rapidly coming to the front. In four years it has gained fifteen thousand inhabitants, and although there is a lull in trade at present it will be only for a day.

The city is peculiarly situated, standing on the edge of a steep bluff which overlooks the lake. It is already four miles in length, though not one quarter of a mile in width at most points. There are here elevat-

ors capable of storing five million bushels of wheat. Street cars, gas works, and water works are already in operation. Magnificent school houses have been built, and all denominations are represented with good strong churches. Truly the world moves. Still more the air is pure and bracing, and your correspondent will go their again when the malaria gets on his track. Jacksonville, Nov. 24th, 1884.

Death of Mrs. Simon Vaughan.

On the 6th inst., this beloved sister took her departure to her heavenly home, aged 57 years. She was the widow of the late Deacon Simon Vaughan, and the mother of the lamented Rev. Henry Vaughan, of precious memory. In the days of her youth she experienced the saving grace of the gospel in a powerful revival of religion under the ministrations of the late Rev. Joseph Dimock, and Rev. David Nutter, in Chester, N. S., her native town. The word of God became to her a new book, and although not trained in the Baptist faith, the reading of the New Testament made her a Baptist. She was accordingly baptized and added to the Baptist church of Chester.

Subsequently she removed to St. Martins, was married to Simon Vaughan, and became a member of the Baptist Church in this place. Three sons and four daughters crowned this marriage. One son and three daughters only survive to deplore their sad loss.

The departed was distinguished by habits of industry and economy, by gentleness and amiability of temper, intelligence and solidity of judgment, fidelity and decision of character, and by an unwavering attachment to Christ and to his church. For more than sixty years she persevered in the divine path, and the peaceful state of her mind during her sickness and death beautifully illustrated the blessedness of her godly life.

Her funeral occurred on the 9th inst. After prayer at the house the remains were removed in a beautiful casket to the new church, towards the erection of which her liberal donations had so largely contributed, where a sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Bill, from Revelation 19: 9, "Blessed are they who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb." A very large congregation showed their appreciation of living merit and of departed worth. After the service her remains were removed to the charming cemetery near the sea, to slumber beside the dust of her now glorified husband, until the resurrection trump shall arouse the sleeping dead to life. Then they will be called with the ransomed myriads of God's elect to partake with unutterable joy of the marriage supper of the Lamb. Com.

Mr. Lowell on Calvinism.

At a late meeting held in England to do honor to the poet Browning, some of the speakers used strong language against Calvinism. Mr. Lowell, our Minister to the Court of St. James, indulged in some apologetic remarks as follows: "I think that some have been a little hard on Calvinism and St. Paul, and have used unwarrantably strong language. I think that is something we ought to guard against. Let us look at Calvinism, as everything else, with steady eyes. However a certain instinctive feeling in the mind may rise and protest against the utter abomination of some of its doctrines, yet they have produced some of the strongest and the noblest characters the world has ever seen, the very fibre and substance of which enduring commonwealths are made. Look at Coligny, for instance. Nay, the political and intellectual freedom we enjoy springs as truly, perhaps, from the loins of Calvin as from anywhere else. And I do not think it safe—I am formulating no creed of my own—I have always been a liberal thinker, and have, therefore, allowed others who differed with me, to think also as they liked, but at the same time I fear that we indulge ourselves in the amusement of going without a religion. We are not perhaps quite aware how much we are sustained at present by an enormous mass all about us of religious

feeling and religious conviction, so that, whatever it may be safe for us to think, for us who have had great advantages, and have been brought up in such a way that a certain moral direction has been given to our character, I do not know what will become of the less favored classes of mankind if they undertake to play at the same game. I wished only to enter the protest of one in whose veins runs the blood of Calvinistic ancestors, against the way in which Calvinism has been spoken of, also to remind one of the speakers that the saint whom he quoted was the same who said 'The greatest of these is charity.'"

Items from Charlotte Co.

FIRE AT WHITTIER'S RIDGE. On the morning of the 24th inst., the dwelling house of Merrill Whittier, of Whittier Ridge, was burned to the ground, with nearly all of its contents; the inmates barely escaping with their lives. The fire is supposed to have originated from ashes, deposited in a shed the day before. The night was stormy, the wind blowing a gale. It is thought that the door of the shed had been blown open, and some coals of fire that had remained in the ashes had been blown up, and brought by the wind in contact with the floor, or wall of the shed, and thus fanned into a flame, which between four and five o'clock, a. m., consumed the whole structure with all its contents, except the inmates and part of the little girls' bedding. The fire was first discovered by an adopted daughter of Mr. Whittier's, who gave the alarm just in time to save the lives of the family. Mr. Whittier's youngest son escaped without anything on him but his shirt. The others got out, by a window, only partly dressed, all of them barefooted. Mr. Whittier is one of the oldest inhabitants, and a son of the first settler of Whittier's Ridge. He was for many years postmaster of this place. As he is now old and decrepit with age and rheumatism, he has the sympathy of all who know him. Efforts are being made to make up, as far as may be, his severe loss. S.

Extracts from a Note Just Received from Miss Addie C. Gray, Dated Nov. 19.

We came to Liverpool on the 13th, thence to London that evening, where we met the agent, who took us to this quiet home, Mrs. Cory, No. 23 Torrington Square.

The days here have been very busy. We have been very fortunate in having pleasant weather. We have almost completed our shopping and other business, and are preparing to sail on the 22nd, in the "Matheron" of the "Cline Line." Miss Wright and I are both in good health.

M. E. MARCH, Cor.-Sec.

Dec. 2nd., 1884.

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Church News.

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Caledonia. Rev. S. C. Moore has recently baptized 9 converts.

Hopewell. We regret to hear, that Rev. C. C. Burgess has resigned the pastorate of this church. He is a worthy man and should soon be called to service.

Rolling Dam. Rev. Mr. Kidson, baptized two, a man and his wife, at Rolling Dam, on the 16th., others are expected to follow. Mr. Kidson is battling with sin and error in an able and scriptural manner, that is likely to result in much good. Oh, that there were a dozen or more such to work here in Charlotte.

St. James. In answer to prayer God has blessed one section of our mission field, in reviving his people and converting souls. Among the number professing faith in Christ was a brother nearly 80 years of age, also a sister 82 years of age. Truly the mercy of the Lord endureth forever. C. B. LEWIS.

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The Congo Mission is the title of an interesting tract, by Rev. E. F. Merriam, published by the A. B. Missionary Union. It is timely, for Africa is now exciting much attention. It has two maps and several cuts.

Half Hours with the Lessons of 1885, published by the Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia, price 85 cents. The Lessons are treated by distinguished Presbyterian divines, in short sermons on the subject. Among the writers we find Dr. Herrick Johnson, Dr. John Hall, Dr. Howard Crosby, Dr. A. T. Pierson. They are exceedingly helpful and the working teacher will find in them excellent material.

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WILSON BROWN.—At Cambridge, Q. Co., on the 22nd Nov., by the Rev. A. B. Macdonald, Deacon Zephaniah O. Wilson, of Cambridge, and North D., only daughter of Percy Brown, of Johnston.

GULLISON-CORNING.—At the Parsonage, Beaver River, Nov. 25, by the Rev. James I. DeWolfe, Capt. Eugene Gullison, of Brookville, Digby Co., and Miss Josephine Corning of Beaver River, Digby Co.

Deaths.

[Simple death notices, without obituary poetry, less than 10 lines in length, are inserted free. More than this are charged at 5 cents a line.]

DURLAND.—At her home in Lawrence, Kansas, on the 17th of November, Mrs. J. N. Durland, formerly of this city.

CAMPBELL.—Mrs. Ann Campbell, widow of the late Donald Campbell, of St. George, fell asleep in Jesus, Nov. 14, aged 77 years.

DEWAR.—At Cambridge, on the 13th Nov., Eunice, beloved wife of Peter Dewar, aged 53 years, daughter of the late Deacon Ephraim Carpenter, and sister to the Revs. Isiah and Daniel S. Carpenter. She was a member of the First Cambridge Baptist Church. "Asleep in Jesus."

HENDRY.—At Cambridge, on the 15th Nov., Isabella, beloved wife of Melvin Hendry, and daughter of the late Deacon John Corwell, aged 41 years. She was a member of the Lower Cambridge Baptist Church. "Departed to be with Christ."

HICKS.—On Tuesday, 25th Nov., 1884, at his residence, Charlotteville, Ontario, John Hicks, Esq., aged 78 years and 9 months, formerly a resident of Norton, Kings County, N. B., but for the last 55 years a resident of Ontario, and for a number of years a deacon of the Baptist Church, at Pine Grove, Ontario. Deceased leaves an aged widow, 9 children, 2 brothers, and 6 sisters, besides a large circle of friends to mourn their loss.

HENDERSON.—At Debec Junction, Carleton Co., in the 34th year of her age, Clara Henderson, wife of Joel Henderson, Esq., and daughter of Deacon Purnington, leaving a husband, four children, and a large circle of relations and friends to mourn their loss. Sister Henderson was baptized and received into the membership of the Baptist Church, at McKenzie's Corner some fifteen years ago, by Rev. Jas. Bleakney. Living to Christ, she was able fully to rest on Christ in her dying hour. The funeral services were conducted by the writer, assisted by the Rev. Mr. McKay, Presbyterian, and Rev. Mr. Howie, Methodist Minister. O. C. HERRERT. (Portland, Transcript please copy.)

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